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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.

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TITLE OF INVENTION SILICA GEL COMPRISING GUANIDINE CARBONATE						
APPLICANT(APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US PUPPE, Lothar and PANTKE, Dietrich					
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:						
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2.	s is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.					
	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.					
4. X The	e US has been elected (Article 31).					
5. X A	copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))					
а	$oxed{\Sigma}$ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).					
b	has been communicated by the International Bureau.					
c	is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).					
6. X A	in English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).					
а	is attached hereto.					
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7. X A	mendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))					
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•	have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.					
•	have not been made and will not be made.					
8	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).					
9. 🗌 A	n oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).					
	on English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT orticle 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).					
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:						
11. 🔲 A	n Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.					
12. A	an assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.					
13. X	preliminary amendment.					
14. 🔲 A	n Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.					
15. L A	substitute specification.					
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17. A	computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13 <i>ter</i> .2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.					
18. A	second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).					
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20. X O	ther items or information: Abstract page; PTO Form-1449 with Reference					

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER To le As/isse2057 PCT/EP2003/007235 CH7779/STA-196 Applicant use Office use only The following fees are submitted: 300.00 200.00 b) Examination fee \$200.00 500.00 \$ 1,000.00 TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof. **Total Sheets** Number of each additional 50 or fraction RATE Extra sheets thereof (round up to a whole number) - 100 = /50 = x \$250.00 22 0.00 -78 \$ Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest \$ 0.00 claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). \$ **CLAIMS** NUMBER FILED NUMBER EXTRA RATE \$ 50.00 \$50.00 Total claims 21 -20 =0.00 2 \$200.00 - 3 = S Independent claims 0 0.00 MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) \$360.00 \$ TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$ 1.050.00 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced 0.00 1,050.00 SUBTOTAL = Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest 0.00claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). 1,050.00 TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied 0.00by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property 1.050.00 TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = Amount to be refunded: Amount to be charged A check in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees is enclosed. Please charge my Deposit Account No. 13-3848 in the amount of \$ 1,050.00 to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3848. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status. SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: James R. Franks Baver MaterialScience LLC 100 Bayer Road 00157 Pittsburgh, PA 15205-9741 James R. Franks NAME REGISTRATION NUMBER

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